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(57) ABSTRACT

A dual-screen user device and methods for revealing a combination of selected desktops and applications on single and dual screens are disclosed. Desktops and applications can be shifted between screens by user gestures, and/or moved off of the screens and therefore hidden. Hidden desktops and screens can be re-displayed by other gestures. The desktops and applications are arranged in a window stack that represents a logical order of the desktops and applications providing a user with an intuitive ability to manage multiple applications/desktops running simultaneously. One embodiment provides the user with the ability to selectively change the orientation of one display and leaving the other display unaffected when the user has two applications or desktops displayed on respective screens. The user can therefore selectively change on a screen-by-screen basis the orientation of any desktops or applications displayed.

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